WASHINGTON DULLES INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT

MAY 17 (legislative day, MAY 14), 1984.—Ordered to be printed

Mr. Packwood, from the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation, submitted the following

REPORT

[To accompany S. 2483]

The Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation, to which was referred the bill (S. 2483) to rename Dulles International Airport in Virginia as the "Washington Dulles International Airport," having considered the same, reports favorably thereon without amendment and recommends that the bill do pass.

PURPOSE OF BILL

S. 2483, as reported, would rename Dulles International Airport in Virginia as the "Washington Dulles International Airport."

BACKGROUND AND NEEDS

Dulles International Airport, so named to honor John Foster Dulles, has for years been the least utilized of the three Washington area airports. The locations of the region's other two major airports, Washington National and Baltimore-Washington International, are evident from their names alone. There is nothing, however, in the name of the Washington area's third airport, Dulles, which would reveal its whereabouts to the unseasoned traveler. To some small extent, the airport's underuse may be the product of traveler confusion about its location.

S. 2483 is intended to remedy both traveler confusion and the airport's current underutilization. The bill's principal sponsors hope that by adding the designator "Washington" to Dulles International, the present growth trend in passenger traffic at the airport will accelerate, thereby promoting its full utilization.

LEGISLATIVE HISTORY

S. 2483 was introduced by Senators Trible and Warner on March 27, 1984. No hearings were held on the bill, the informal comments thereon having been uniformly favorable.

On May 8, 1984, the committee ordered S. 2483 reported, without

objection.

SUMMARY OF MAJOR PROVISIONS

As reported, S. 2483 would:

1. provide that that airport known as the Dulles International Airport shall hereafter be known and designated as the "Wash-

ington Dulles International Airport;" and
2. that all laws, regulations, maps, documents, records or other papers in which the airport is referred to shall be held to refer to the "Washington Dulles International Airport."

ESTIMATED COSTS

In accordance with paragraph 11(a) of rule XXVI of the Standing Rules of the Senate and section 403 of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974, the committee provides the following cost estimate, prepared by the Congressional Budget Office:

> U.S. Congress, CONGRESSIONAL BUDGET OFFICE, Washington, D.C., May 16, 1984.

Hon. Bob Packwood.

Chairman, Committee on Commerce, Science and Transportation, U.S. Senate, Dirksen Senate Office Building, Washington, D.C.

Dear Mr. Chairman: The Congressional Budget Office has reviewed S. 2483, a bill to rename Dulles International Airport in Virginia as the "Washington Dulles International Airport," as ordered reported by the Senate Committee on Commerce, Science and Transportation, May 8, 1984. We expect that enactment of this bill would result in no significant cost to the Federal Government, or to State and local governments.

If you wish further details on this estimate, we will be pleased to provide them.

Sincerely,

RUDOLPH G. PENNER, Director.

REGULATORY IMPACT STATEMENT

In accordance with paragraph 11(b) of rule XXVI of the Standing Rules of the Senate, the committee provides the following evalua-

tion of the regulatory impact of the legislation:

The bill, as reported, would merely change the name of Dulles International Airport to Washington Dulles International Airport. Thus it would have no effect on Federal regulation, privacy, or paperwork.

AGENCY COMMENTS

On April 17, 1984, the committee received the following letter from the Department of Transportation setting forth the views of the Department on the bill.

> U.S. DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION, Washington, D.C., April 17, 1984.

Hon. Frank R. Wolf, U.S. House of Representatives, Washington, D.C.

Dear Mr. Wolf: This is in response to your request for the views of the Department of Transportation concerning H.R. 5268, a bill "to rename Dulles International Airport in Virginia as the Washington

Dulles International Airport."

The bill would change the name of Dulles International Airport to Washington Dulles International Airport. By including the designator, Washington, the stature of Dulles service to the Greater Washington area would be enhanced. Moreover, the change in name would eliminate the confusion on the part of some international travelers who have disembarked at Dulles under the mistaken belief that they were in Dallas, Tex.

The Department has no objection to the draft bill since its provisions would not require any changes in aeronautical documents or in existing air traffic control operations or procedures to reflect the change in name of Dulles International Airport to "Washington Dulles In-

ternational Airport."

The Office of Management and Budget advises that, from the standpoint of the administration's program, there is no objection to the submission of this letter.

Sincerely,

JIM J. MARQUEZ, General Counsel.

CHANGES IN EXISTING LAW

In compliance with paragraph 12 of rule XXVI of the Standing Rules of the Senate, the bill, as reported, would make no changes in existing law.